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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Bruck Kifle  
Group : 1624 Confirmation No.: 4312  
Applicants : Mark J. Batchelor et al.  
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ENZYME

New York, New York  
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Hon. Commissioner  
for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This responds to the August 29, 2003  
Restriction Requirement in the above-identified  
application. Applicants have petitioned concurrently  
herewith to extend the period for responding to that  
action for three (3) months, from September 29, 2003 up  
to and including December 29, 2003, and have paid the  
fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a) and 1.17(a)(3).

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